1 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 9 DEMARIO ROBERTS (Inmate # 398950); Case No. C18-837 RSM-BAT 10 MOHAMED MOHAMED (Inmate # 384454); JEREMY LIVINGSTON (Inmate # 381036); 11 ORDER DENYING AS MOOT and, NAIM LAO (Inmate # 400248); DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE 12 EX PARTE ORDER Plaintiffs, 13 14 v. 15 STEPHEN SINCLAIR, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Washington Department of 16 Corrections, et. al., 17 Defendants. 18 This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Stephen Sinclair's Motion to Dissolve 19 20 Ex Parte Order Granting Temporary Restraining Order. Dkt. #15. Although Defendant 21 presents substantial evidence and argument, he seeks no relief other than to lift and/or dissolve 22 the Court's Temporary Restraining Order issued on Sunday, June 12, 2018. See Dkt. #15-1. 23 On June 15, 2018, the Court conducted a telephonic hearing on this matter and heard from the 24 25 parties on the issues raised in this Motion. 26 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(b) governs the issuance of Temporary Restraining 27 Orders ("TRO"s). This rule states that "[e]very temporary restraining order issued without 28 ORDER DENYING AS MOOT DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE EX PARTE ORDER - 1

notice expires at the time after entry—not to exceed 14 days—that the court sets [unless extended by the Court.]" Fed. R. Civ. P. 65(b)(2). The Court has reviewed the TRO in this case, issued by the Honorable Ronald R Leighton, and finds that it was set to expire at the end of Ramadan or on June 15, 2018. The Court therefore concludes that the TRO in this case has already expired. Furthermore, the relief requested by the Plaintiffs in their TRO is no longer necessary. The Court does not anticipate a need to set a preliminary injunction hearing.

Because the TRO has expired, the Court finds that Defendants' Motion is moot.

Having reviewed the relevant briefing and the remainder of the record, the Court hereby finds and ORDERS that Defendant Sinclair's Motion to Dissolve Ex Parte Order Granting Temporary Restraining Order (Dkt. #15) is DENIED AS MOOT.

DATED this 15th day of June 2018.

RICARDO S. MARTINEZ CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE